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Under Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, Oct. 4, 1993), the Agency must determine whether the regulatory action is "significant" and therefore subject to

review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the requirements of the Executive Order. Under section 3(f), the order defines a "significant regulatory action" as an action that is likely to result in a rule (1) having an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more, or adversely and materially affecting a sector of the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or State, local, or tribal governments or communities (also referred to as "economically significant"); (2) creating serious inconsistency or otherwise interfering with an action taken or planned by another agency; (3) materially altering the budgetary impacts of entitlement, grants, user fees, or loan programs or the rights and obligations of recipients thereof; or (4) raising novel legal or policy issues arising out of legal mandates, the President's priorities, or the principles set forth in this Executive Order.

Pursuant to the terms of the Executive Order, EPA has determined that this rule is not "significant" and is therefore not subject to OMB review.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (Pub. L. 96-354, 94 Stat. 1164, 5 U.S.C. 601-612), the Administrator has determined that regulations establishing new tolerances or raising tolerance levels or establishing exemptions from tolerance requirements do not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. A certification statement to this effect was published in the **Federal Register** of May 4, 1981 (46 FR 24950).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 180

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural commodities, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: August 18, 1995.

Susan Lewis,

Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

Therefore, 40 CFR part 180 is amended as follows:

PART 180—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 180 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 346a and 371.

2. In § 180.204, paragraph (b) is amended in the table therein by adding and alphabetically inserting a new entry, to read as follows:

§ 180.204 Dimethoate including its oxygen analog; tolerances for residues.

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(b) * * *				
Commodity				Parts per million
Asparagus				0.15
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40 CFR Part 180

[PP 5E4425/R2157; FRL-4968-2]

RIN 2070-AB78

Imidacloprid; Pesticide Tolerance

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document establishes a tolerance for residues of the insecticide (1-[6-chloro-3-pyridinyl)methyl]-N-nitro-2-imidazolidinimine (referred to in this document as imidacloprid) and its metabolites in or on the raw agricultural commodity dried hops. The Interregional Research Project No. 4 (IR-4) requested the regulation to establish a maximum permissible level for residues of the insecticide pursuant to the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA).

EFFECTIVE DATE: This regulation becomes effective August 30, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Written objections and hearing requests, identified by the document control number, [PP 5E4425/R2157], may be submitted to: Hearing Clerk (1900), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. M3708, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Fees accompanying objections and hearing requests shall be labeled "Tolerance Petition Fees" and forwarded to: EPA Headquarters Accounting Operations Branch, OPP (Tolerance Fees), P.O. Box 360277M, Pittsburgh, PA 15251. A copy of any objections and hearing requests filed with the Hearing Clerk should be identified by the document control number and submitted to: Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person, bring copy of objections and hearing requests to: Rm. 1132, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA 22202.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Hoyt L. Jamerson, Registration Division (7505C), Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 259, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA 22202, (703)-308-8783; e-mail: jamerson.hoyt@epamail.epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of July 5, 1995 (60 FR 34943), EPA issued a proposed rule that gave notice that the Interregional Research Project No. 4 (IR-4), New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station, P.O. Box 231, New Brunswick, NJ 08903, had submitted pesticide petition (PP) 5E4425 to EPA on behalf of the Agricultural Experiment Stations of Oregon and Washington. This petition requests that the Administrator, pursuant to section 408(e) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a(e), amend 40 CFR 180.472 by establishing a tolerance for residues of the insecticide imidacloprid (1-[(6-chloro-3-pyridinyl)methyl]-N-nitro-2-imidazolidinimine) and its metabolites containing the 6-chloropyridinyl moiety, all expressed as 1-[(6-chloro-3-pyridinyl)methyl]-N-nitro-2-imidazolidinimine, in or on the raw agricultural commodity dried hops at 6 parts per million.

There were no comments or requests for referral to an advisory committee received in response to the proposed rule.

The data submitted with the proposal and other relevant material have been evaluated and discussed in the proposed rule. Based on the data and information considered, the Agency concludes that the tolerance will protect the public health. Therefore, the

tolerance is established as set forth below.

Any person adversely affected by this regulation may, within 30 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**, file written objections and/or request a hearing with the Hearing Clerk, at the address given above (40 CFR 178.20). A copy of the objections and/or hearing requests filed with the Hearing Clerk should be submitted to the OPP docket for this rulemaking. The objections submitted must specify the provisions of the regulation deemed objectionable and the grounds for the objections (40 CFR 178.25). Each objection must be accompanied by the fee prescribed by 40 CFR 180.33(i). If a hearing is requested, the objections must include a statement of the factual issue(s) on which a hearing is requested, the requestor's contentions on such issues, and a summary of any evidence relied upon by the objector (40 CFR 178.27). A request for a hearing will be granted if the Administrator determines that the material submitted shows the following: There is a genuine and substantial issue of fact; there is a reasonable possibility that available evidence identified by the requestor would, if established, resolve one or more of such issues in favor of the requestor, taking into account uncontested claims or facts to the contrary; and resolution of the factual issue(s) in the manner sought by the requestor would be adequate to justify the action requested (40 CFR 178.32).

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Pursuant to the terms of the Executive Order, EPA has determined that this rule is not "significant" and is therefore not subject to OMB review.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (Pub. L. 96-354, 94 Stat. 1164, 5 U.S.C. 601-612), the Administrator has determined that regulations establishing new tolerances or raising tolerance levels or establishing exemptions from tolerance requirements do not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. A certification statement to this effect was published in the **Federal Register** of May 4, 1981 (46 FR 24950).

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 180

Environmental protection, Administrative practice and procedure, Agricultural commodities, Pesticides and pests, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: August 18, 1995.

Susan Lewis,

Acting Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

Therefore, 40 CFR part 180 is amended as follows:

PART 180—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 180 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 346a and 371.

2. In § 180.472, paragraph (a) is amended in the table therein by adding and alphabetically inserting an entry for dried hops, and paragraph (d) is removed and designated as "reserved" as follows:

§ 180.472 1-[(6-Chloro-3-pyridinyl)methyl]-N-nitro-2-imidazolidinimine; tolerances for residues

(a) * * *

Commodity	Parts per million
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Hops, dried	6
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(d) [Reserved]

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40 CFR Parts 180 and 186

[PP 4F4337 and FAP 4H5700/R2167; FRL-4976-2]

RIN 2070-AB78

Imidacloprid (NTN); Pesticide Tolerances and a Feed Additive Regulation

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: These regulations establish time-limited tolerances and a feed additive regulation for residues of the insecticide 1-[(6-chloro-3-pyridinyl)methyl]-N-nitro-2-imidazolidinimine (also known as imidacloprid) and its metabolites in or on wheat and sugarbeets with an expiration date 3 years after its effective

date. Gustafson, Inc., submitted petitions under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetics Act (FFDCA) that requested these regulations to establish these maximum permissible levels for residues of the insecticide.

EFFECTIVE DATES: These regulations became effective on August 24, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Written objections and hearing requests, identified by the document control number, [PP 4F4337 and FAP 4H5700/R2167], may be submitted to: Hearing Clerk (1900), Environmental Protection Agency, Rm. M3708, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Fees accompanying objections shall be labeled "Tolerance Petition Fees" and forwarded to: EPA Headquarters Accounting Operations Branch, OPP (Tolerance Fees), P.O. Box 360277M, Pittsburgh, PA 15251. A copy of any objections and hearing requests filed with the Hearing Clerk should be identified by the document control number and submitted to: Public Response and Program Resources Branch, Field Operations Division (7506C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. In person, bring copy of objections and hearing requests to Rm. 1132, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA 22202.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: By mail: Dennis H. Edwards, Jr., Product Manager (PM) 19, Registration Division (7505C), Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC 20460. Office location and telephone number: Rm. 207, CM #2, 1921 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Arlington, VA 22202, (703)-305-

6386; e-mail:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: EPA issued a notice in the **Federal Register** of November 2, 1994 (59 FR 54907), which announced that Gustafson, Inc., P.O. Box 660065, Dallas, TX 75266-0065, had submitted a petition to amend 40 CFR part 180 by establishing under sections 408 and 409 of the Federal Food Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FFDCA), 21 U.S.C. 346a and 348, a regulation to permit residues of the insecticide (1-[6-chloro-3-pyridinyl] methyl]-N-nitro-2-imidazolidinimine, in or on the raw agricultural commodities wheat, forage at 7.0 ppm, wheat, straw at 0.3 ppm, wheat, grain at 0.1 ppm; barley, forage at 1.2 ppm, barley, straw at 0.2 ppm, and barley, grain at 0.1 ppm, sorghum, forage at 0.2 ppm, sorghum, straw at 0.1 ppm, sorghum, grain at 0.1 ppm, beet, sugar, (roots) at 0.1 pm, and beets sugar (tops) at 0.1 ppm. Gustafson, Inc., later withdrew the proposed sorghum tolerance and resubmitted it as separate petition. Gustafson also amended the petition to request a feed additive tolerance of 0.5 ppm on sugarbeet molasses and revised the tolerance proposed for wheat grain to 0.05 ppm and sugarbeet roots to 0.05 ppm (see the **Federal Register** of June 15, 1995 (60 FR 31467)). The Agency has since decided that the appropriate sugarbeet molasses tolerance should be 0.3 ppm.

On August 14, 1995, Gustafson, submitted a revised Section F deleting barley from this petition. It will be resubmitted as a separate petition.

These tolerances and feed additive regulation are being established with a 3-year time limit to enable Gustafson to complete additional residue trials and present a final report. On June 2, 1994, the Agency issued a guidance document on crop residue trials. Among other things, this document provided guidance on the number and location of domestic crop field trials for establishment of pesticide residue trials. Based on this guidance document, the Agency determined that additional field trials are needed for wheat and sugarbeets. However, the Agency does not believe that these data will significantly change its risk assessment.

All relevant materials have been evaluated. The toxicology data considered in support of the tolerances include:

1. A three-generation rat reproduction study with a no-observed-effect level (NOEL) of 100 ppm (8 mg/kg/day); rat and rabbit teratology studies which were negative at doses up to 30 mg/kg/day and 24 mg/kg/day, respectively.

2. A 2-year rat feeding/carcinogenicity study that was negative for carcinogenic